GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT
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CRITERIA FOR POST MATRIC SCHOLARSHIP SCHEME FOR SC STUDENTS
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Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has issued an official order denying SC Scholarship to students who are studying in professional institutions and admitted in non-free seats and those securing less than 60% marks in private institutions;

(b) if so, is it denying SC students the supportive mechanism to pursue higher education and is against principles of social justice;

(c) whether concerns regarding marginalization of students belonging to oppressed class have also been voiced;

(d) if so, whether the demand to bring appropriate legislation to bring private institutions under social control in some key areas as fees and admission has also been made; and

(e) if so, the reaction of the Government thereto?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT(SMT. SUBBULAKSHMI JAGADEESAN)

(a) to (c) The Government of India has decided to continue the Scheme of Post Matric Scholarships to Scheduled Caste students during the 11th Plan period viz. up to March, 2012, as it operated during the 10th plan period.

(d) No, Sir.

(e) Does not arise.